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Letter dated 12 September 1991 from the Permanent Representative of the Netherlands to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit the text, in English and French, of the Statement of the European Community and its member States on recognition of the independence of Belize by Guatemala, issued on 9 September 1991 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly under item 137 of the provisional agenda.

(Signed) Robert J. VAN SCHAIK
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

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ANNEX

Statement on recognition of the independence of Belize by Guatemala, issued at Brussels and The Hague on 9 September 1991 by the European Community

The European Community and its member States warmly welcome the statement made by the President of the Republic of Guatemala on 5 September 1991, in which the Government of Guatemala recognized the independence of the State of Belize. President Serrano's historic initiative constitutes a major step forward towards the resolution of a bilateral difficulty of long standing. It also removes a source of international tension and should strengthen regional stability.

The Community and its member States congratulate the Governments of Belize and Guatemala on this important progress, and urge them to continue to work for a full and final settlement of their dispute.

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REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE STRENGTHENING OF INTERNATIONAL SECURITY

Letter dated 12 September 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Peru to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I take pleasure in transmitting to you herewith the text of the communiqué issued by the Government of Peru on the accession to independence of the Republics of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.

I should be grateful if you would have this document circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under item 68 of the provisional agenda.

(Signed) Ricardo V. LUNA
Ambassador
Permanent Representative of
Peru to the United Nations

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ANNEX

Communiqué issued by the Government of Peru

The Government of Peru welcomes the reintegration of the Baltic Republics of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania into the international community as independent nations through a process reflecting the deep and authentic national aspirations of their peoples.

In regaining their independence they have reaffirmed the principles of self-determination and non-intervention that govern the conduct of sovereign nations and foster their mutual understanding.

The Government of Peru takes pleasure in announcing that it will shortly establish diplomatic relations with the Baltic republics and will support their admission to the United Nations.